



City of Flint Technical Advisory Committee

5/20/2015 Meeting Summary

-Introductions

- ✓ Introduced the new Utilities Administrator Mike Glasgow
- ✓ Introduced the City Administrator Natasha Henderson
- ✓ Roundtable introductions of other participants

-Updates

- ✓ Update on current water status (Mike Glasgow, Utilities Administrator).
 - Water is not as hard (hardness between 150 – 180) down from 210- 230
 - Quarterly TTHM testing submitted and expecting all eight sites to be below the MCL
- ✓ Update on GAC installation (Samir Matta, LAN).
 - Installation ahead of schedule
 - Design has been submitted to DEQ, quick approval expected
 - Vendor is identified and capable of supply and installation
 - Vendor is testing flint water samples
 - Flint will install one filter ahead of time for actual results
 - Full installation now scheduled for late June (moved up from mid-July)
- ✓ Update on remaining initiatives, (Howard Croft, DPW Director).
 - Leak detection is expected to begin by July(will take 10 – 14 weeks to complete)
 - New pipe installation has been tentatively pushed back to a July start
 - Aggressive water meter installation (9,000 meters in one year) is on track to start in July
 - New “water webpage” chronicling all events set to launch in the next week

-Discussions

- Genessee County Health Department, Flint Water Plant, & Flint City Hall have received no water complaint calls in over 60 days.
- Health department has listed several items such as “hard water rash” on the front page of their website with explanations.
- Some attention has shifted to lead and copper concerns, recent internal testing numbers still show approximately 2 -3 out of 100 with high levels.
- Lead and copper issues trace back to household plumbing and service lines nationally.
- All independent area testing continues to show water quality to be in line with EPA standards.
- A question was raised about “Bromite” levels in the water, Mike Glasgow will address how the implementations are addressing this in the next meeting.
- The DEQ acknowledged that requirements for notifications are the minimum levels and additional efforts can be undertaken.

-Objectives

- ✓ The health department will present a proposal to the City of Flint DPW to partner in a social media campaign designed for community outreach.
- ✓ A plan was set to maintain a 24 hr. advance notification to this group of future low residuals, or potentials of boil water advisories.
- ✓ The annual Consumer Confidence report will go out in July and if a violation notice is required then it will go with this report. (DEQ agrees with this approach).

-Next Steps

- Next meeting is targeted for late July or Early August after the GAC has been installed.
- Meeting will focus on the results of the implementation measures and what internal testing is showing for water quality in the late summer months.
- We plan to invite several community leaders to participate in this forum, candidates are:
 - Mike Sargent – Flint Strong
 - Pastor Harris – Concerned Pastors
 - Rebecca Fedewa / Jack Minore – Flint River Watershed Coalition
- The subsequent meeting is targeted for September (after the late summer TTHM results are in) and we intend to start directing attention towards Lake Huron water and the upcoming transition to the KWA.

-Attendees

Hilda McShane - Genesee County Health Department

Jim Henry - Genesee County Health Department

Samir Matta – LAN Engineering

Warren Green – LAN Engineering

Larry Kohler – Mott Community College

Mike Lane – University of Michigan Flint

Rusty Hudson – McLaren Hospital

Norb Birchmeier – Hurley Hospital

Gerald Natzke – DO-Genesys Regional Medical Center

Kirk Smith – Greater Flint Health Coalition

Pete Levine – Genesee County Medical Society

Mike Prysby – Department of Environmental Quality

Dr. Michael Wright - Environmental Protection Agency

Mike Glasgow – City of Flint - Utilities Administrator

Howard Croft – City of Flint - DPW Director

Natasha Henderson – City of Flint - City Administrator